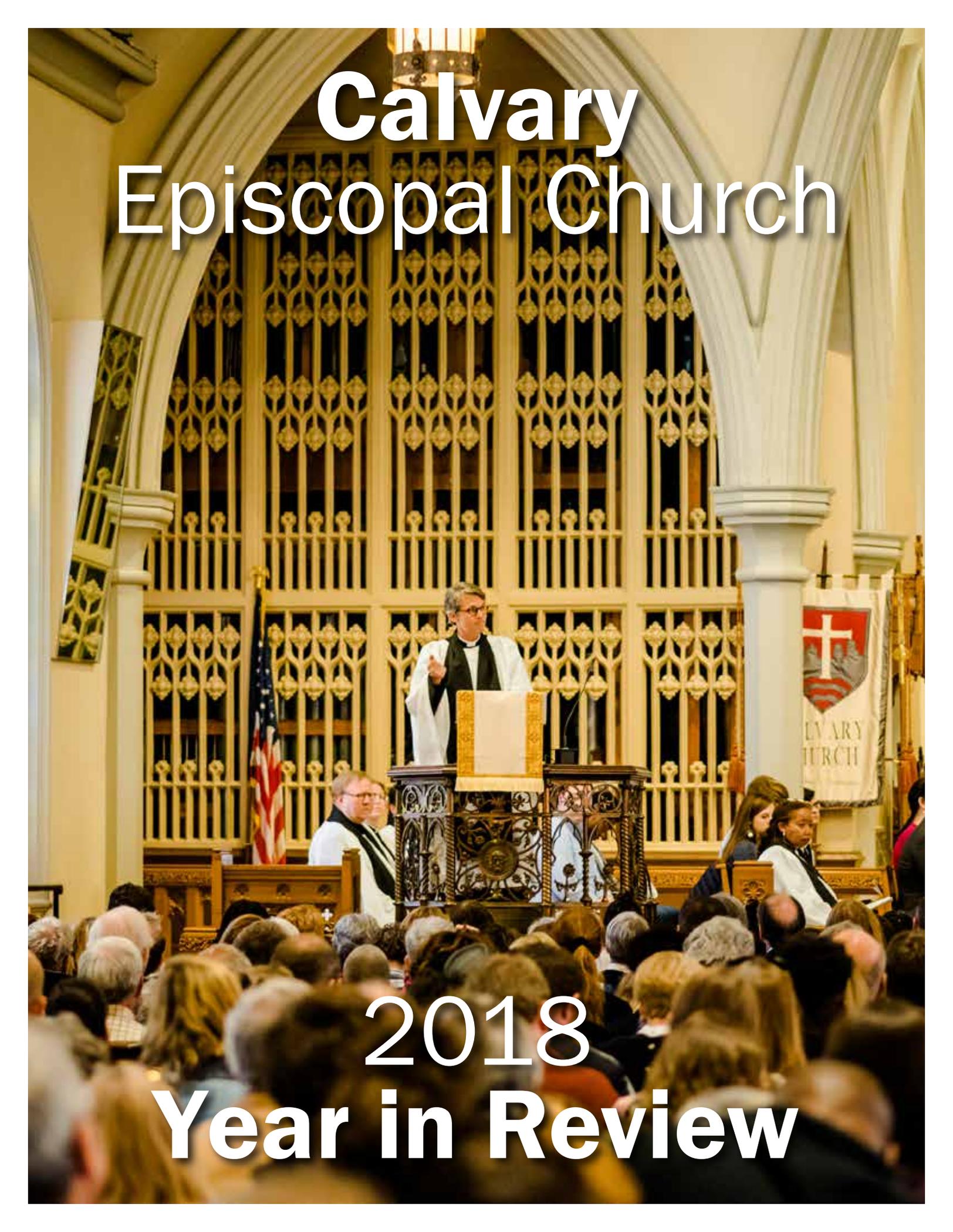


Calvary Episcopal Church



2018
Year in Review



CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Parish Offices

Open Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Friday 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

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followed by full last name@calvarymemphis.org.

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The Rev. J. Scott Walters (312-5201)	Rector
The Rev. Amber Carswell (312-5209)	Associate Rector
The Rev. Paul McLain (312-5215)	Associate Rector
The Rev. Audrey Gonzalez	Associate Priest

Vestry

Peg Wahl, *Sr. Warden* • Kim Kitterman, *Jr. Warden* • Tony Graves, *Treasurer* •
Terre Sullivant, *Clerk*

James Aldinger • Sarah Ball • Lisa Buckner • Madge Deacon •
Bailey Bethell Fountain • Gail Harrell • Nancy Manire • Heidi Rupke •
Les Smith • Ginny Strubing • Edwin Thorpe • John Webb • Hank Word

Parish Staff

Robyn Banks (312-5207)	Dir. of Communications
Issiah Carroll (525-6602)	Kitchen Assistant
Hilary Chipley (312-5203)	Dir. of Children and Family Ministries
Fred Goldsmith (525-6602)	Information Officer
Melissa Elsholz (312-5212)	St. Cecilia Choir Director
Kristin Lensch (312-5212)	Organist-Choirmaster
Gabbie Munn (312-5206)	Director of Youth Ministry
Mary O'Brien (312-5211)	Parish Chef
Katie Owen (312-5205)	Parish Finance Officer
John Palmer (312-5208)	Asst. Organist-Choirmaster
Ebet Peoples (312-5201)	Welcome and Community
Helario Reyna (312-5202)	Facilities Manager
Gary Thompson (525-6602)	Sexton
Christine Todd (312-5214)	Community Ministries Coordinator
Cindy Yeager (312-5204)	Bookkeeper

FROM THE RECTOR

When our family packed for a long car trip, sometimes my brother and I would be given comic books to help pass the hours. Not the standard, magazine proportioned editions you're probably imagining, but squat little books of many pages. I don't remember a single story from these books. What I retain is a memory of the delight of watching the smaller drawings in the corner of each page come to life as I let them flip through my thumb.

If not in these particular books, do you remember when you first saw how individual drawings take on movement and emotion and eventually become a story in the miracle of animation?

Our communications director, Robyn Banks, suggested we make our Annual Report more visual and less verbal this year. The gift of doing so feels a little like flip animation (which Google tells me is actually a thing). The individual images and moments of Calvary Church's 2018 each may be poignant and worthy of our attention on their own. But the real gift of looking back on a year visually is getting a sense of a larger story that's unfolding among us as a community of Christian people.



Scott Walters

Looking back, we see the faces of saints we love but see no longer and of new companions on the way. We remember moments of prayer and song and fellowship over meals. We told difficult truths about the history of our block, extended hospitality to strangers by way of waffles and preaching and hugs and more. Our spirits were lifted by familiar voices week after week, and by eight voices that crossed an ocean to get here, the same ocean our singers crossed to pray Evensong with strangers in England.

We sought for a solution with fellow Memphians to the need for safe shelter for women without homes. We told gospel stories to children week in and week out and had those children tell us the story of Christmas in scripture and costume and song. Small groups of teens began talking about life over coffee, other groups discussed spiritual practices and novels and 20th-century prophets. Even the spiritual practice of yoga took its place on a page in the flip book that is 2018 at Calvary.

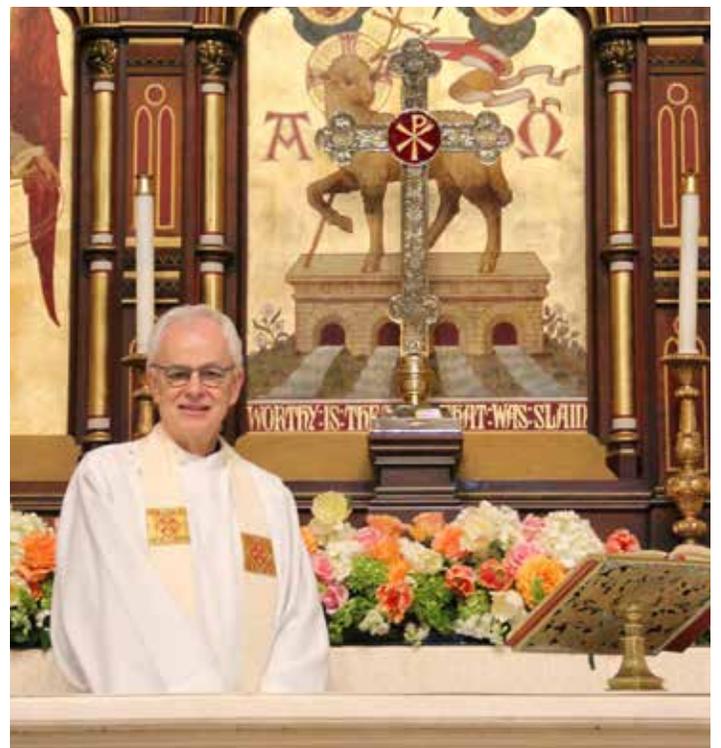
All this and so much more is what spilled from your lives between our weekly gatherings at Jesus's table—when we place the smaller scenes and chapters of our lives in the ultimate story of the self-giving love of God for the whole world.

Hopefully, it's clear that this list is meant to be evocative, not exhaustive. Flip through these pages and remember the gift that was 2018 at Calvary. Give thanks for what the Holy Spirit did in us and through us and to us and among us. Look, remember, give thanks, and then turn expectantly toward the year to come, knowing that St. Paul's words from Ephesians have never been more beautifully true than today: "[God's] power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine."

Epiphany

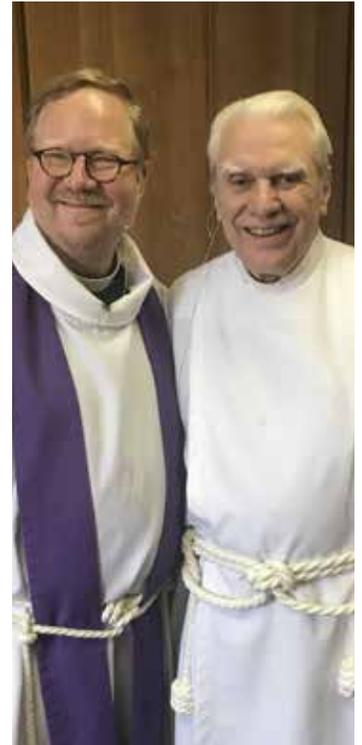
Calvary celebrated Twelfth Night with a festive **Boar's Head Feaste** in the Great Hall, featuring the musical talents of the Calvary Choir. Bishop Johnson welcomed nine adults and twelve youth as members through **Confirmation**. Calvary dedicated a **new altar cross** in honor of former interim rector Buddy Stallings to replace the one that was stolen in 2011. **The Rev. Amber Carswell** joined the clergy team, with a focus on faith formation and ministry to young adults. The youth of the parish served red beans & rice and waffles at the annual **Fat Tuesday Supper. Foyer (dinner) groups** returned after a several-year hiatus.





Lent

The Rev. Dan Matthews kicked off the 95th season of the **Lenten Preaching Series**. **Lent After Dark** offered an opportunity to better know some of our LPS speakers. **Waffle Shop** drew thousands to Calvary at lunchtime during Lent. A **teen hand bell choir from Ft. Worth, Texas**, amazed us with their ability to play completely from memory. The vestry strategized for a new year at their **vestry retreat**. The youth and their parents participated in a **student march** from Claiborne Temple to the Civil Rights Museum. **Holy Week** culminated in services on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Great Vigil of Easter. Children from the Emmanuel Center and Calvary Place joined the children of the parish to hunt two thousand eggs on the grounds of the Metal Museum at the annual **Easter Egg Hunt**.





Easter

The **Flower Guild** dressed the church in an abundance of flowers in celebration of **Easter Day**. Hundreds gathered at Calvary on April 4, the 50th anniversary of the death of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for a moving **service of remembrance and reconciliation and the unveiling of a new historic marker** telling the truth of the slave market that operated adjacent to Calvary in the 1800s. **PreSqueal**, an exhibition of barbecue cooking teams, gathered in the parking lot in advance of Memphis in May. **The Boychoir of St. Paul's in London** experienced true Memphis hospitality while on their U.S. tour. The children of the **Emmanuel Center** enjoyed a fun **carnival** hosted by dozens of Calvary volunteers. **Curate Neil Raman** was called to serve at Calvary Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.





April 4

The long struggle to achieve justice, freedom, and peace includes confronting difficult aspects of our past.

At Noon on April 4, Calvary Episcopal Church held a service of "Remembrance and Reconciliation," in the church, after which Calvary, Rhodes College, and the National Park Service unveiled a historic marker at the site of Nathan Bedford Forrest's antebellum slave mart. These events were intended to remember the names of those who were sold at the site, to respect the dignity of their humanity, and to facilitate the process of reconciliation and healing in our community and our country.

Between 1854 and 1860, slave traders bought and sold thousands of enslaved people at 87 Adams Street, between Second and Third, just east of an alley behind Calvary Episcopal Church.

Acknowledging the injustice and oppression that occurred on property now owned by the church helps to fulfill both our civic and religious obligations. It is a way of helping to bring about the "more perfect Union" described by the American founders and the "beloved community" envisioned by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Most important, it is a tiny step toward fulfilling our duty as Christians to help bring about the Kingdom of God.

In 1968, Dr. King came to Memphis to show solidarity with striking sanitation workers, who held signs that said, "I am a Man." Fifty years later, we stand with the sanitation workers, the enslaved sold behind Calvary Church, and the forgotten men and women in every generation who have aspired to claim their humanity as children of God.



Pentecost

part 1

The long season of Pentecost began with a festive **parish picnic** in Court Square, complete with barbecue and a swing band. Chef Mary O'Brien and her band of kitchen volunteers created a fabulous **Low Country Boil** dinner to mark the end of the Wednesday Nights at Calvary season. Calvary hosted a **Women's Housing Summit** to garner support for the creation of a shelter for homeless women. A dozen youth went on a **mission trip to Texas**. The staff bid farewell to **Lynda Gayle Deacon** upon her retirement. **Art Camp** drew children to Calvary for a week of music, art, worship and fun. **Kayla Bartosch** ended her four years as minister to youth. Members of the Calvary Choir and the Boys and Girls Choir, along with their friends and family, traveled to England for a week of **choir residency at Bristol Cathedral**. **Gabbie Munn** joined the staff as the new director of youth ministry. Calvary celebrated her 186th birthday on **Founder's Day**. **Bratfest** marked the start of the Wednesday Nights at Calvary season. **MIFA Community Days** paired Calvary volunteers with the people of St. James AME Church to help them prepare to host their convention.





Pentecost

part 2

The **Memphis Ukulele Band** packed the Great Hall on a Friday night for a lively concert. Calvary sponsored a booth at **Pridefest**. Calvary once again hosted the 19th annual **Barristers' Breakfast** which raised over \$10,000 for breast cancer research. Pets and their people celebrated the Feast of St. Francis with a **Blessing of the Animals** in Court Square. The Annual Giving Campaign began with a festive **Block Party**, complete with music and food under a tent in the parking lot. Families from Calvary Place joined the children and youth of the parish for a raucous **Monster Mash** in the Great Hall to celebrate Halloween. A Duruflé Choral Mass at the 10 a.m. worship service and a choral Evensong made **All Saints' Sunday** special. Calvary began her fifth season of hosting **Room in the Inn** which offers holy hospitality and a warm place to sleep to people experiencing homelessness. **VOCES8**, a well-known a cappella group from the United Kingdom, wowed their audience with renditions of *Danny Boy*, *The Luckiest*, and other incredible musical selections. Calvary delegates and youth attended **diocesan convention**, at which the Rev. Phoebe Roaf was elected the 4th bishop of the Diocese of West Tennessee.





Advent/ Christmas

The annual service of **Lessons & Carols** was a highlight of the Advent season. Calvary bid farewell to Bishop **Don & Jeannie Johnson** on their last official visit to the parish for confirmation. The **AIDS Fabric Sculpture** hung in the nave for a month to honor those living with HIV/AIDS. Over 300 homeless and hungry neighbors were welcomed to the Mural Room for a delicious holiday lunch at the annual **Emmanuel Meal**. Dozens of Calvary children were transformed into angels, shepherds, a chicken, a cow, and more to tell the story of the birth of Christ on **Christmas Eve**. The Rev. Audrey Gonzalez celebrated **Christmas Day** with a small gathering of parishioners and visitors in the chancel.





PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Baptisms

Townes Gregory Bishop, son of Anna Gregory & Terrence Bishop, 1/7/18
Charlotte Catherine Browning, daughter of Amanda & Colin Browning, 11/4/18
Logan Graves, 8/12/18
Cora May Jones, daughter of Sarah & Ryan Jones, 10/21/18

Addison Mackenzie, daughter of Sarah Hunter Simanson & Andrew Fields, 11/4/18
John Wilson Driver Owen, son of Katie & John Owen, 1/28/18
Colette Lucille Wilmot Pacello, daughter of Olivia Wilmot & Tommy Pacello, 1/7/18

Marriages

Alicia Anderson & Charles Klazer Gomes, 12/29/18
Bailey Bethell & Collin Fountain, 6/16/18
Emily Holmes & Sam Scott, 4/28/18
Lisa Klesges & Bob Waller, 07/25/18

Ashley Metcalf & Brad Andrews, 11/10/18
Joanne Watson & James Parker, 12/31/17
Liz Whited & Carter Wolfe, 6/23/18

New Members

Robert Aycock*
Turner Aycock*
Ellen Barnes*
Terrence Bishop*
Frances Cates*
Stephen Cates*
Margaret Grace "Gracie" Collier
Sherry Jeffries Compton
Keith Edward Cotham*
Ellen Davis
Sandra & Jay Eberle
Chris Ellis
Katherine Ellis
Miriam Gardner*
Casey Graves
Logan Alexander Graves*

Mason Graves*
Anna Gregory*
Tanda Rae Grisham-Williams
and son Joshua Williams
Audrey & Gary Hager
Madeleine Hays*
Jackson Hearn*
Grace Herburger*
Cindy Moseley
Maddie Hitching*
Charlie Huebner*
Garrott McClintock*
Margaret Hill Watford McClintock
Duncan McLean*
Meriwether McLean*
Cathi Moore*

Jim Moseley*
Mary Wallace O'Brien
Ellen Parker*
Randy Patey*
Renee Patey*
Emlyn Jane Polatty*
Jeb and Hayes Polatty
Patty & Jerry Scruggs
Ardelle Walters and children
Alden and Kate
Sandy West*
Melissa Kay Wilkinson
Greta Cooper Young*

**Confirmed or Reaffirmed*

Burials

Nancy Nearn Bethell, 12/26/18
Ann Wallace Dewey, 1/31/18
Timothy Freeman, 1/7/18
Jack Gibson, 3/24/18
Lydia Ann Gibson, 1/17/18
Carolyn Ann Grant, 1/23/18
Frank Aubrey Jones, 1/19/18

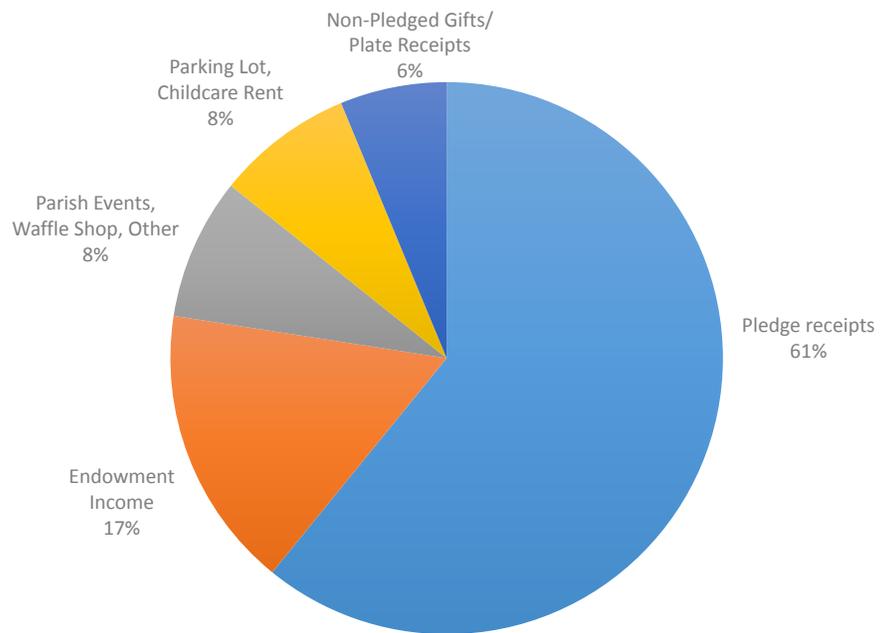
Lisa Ann Lichterman, 12/15/18
Lynn Theresa Parsons, 2/28/18
Thomas R. Prewitt, 7/19/18
Cashandra Anthony Shields, 4/26/18
George Wynn Smith, Jr., 5/5/18

PARISH FINANCES

2018 Estimated Revenues

Pledge Receipts.....	\$1,391,926
Endowment Income	\$379,080
Parish Events, Waffle Shop, Other	\$189,616
Parking Lot, Child Care Rent..	\$183,400
Non-Pledged Gifts/ Plate Receipts.....	\$142,657

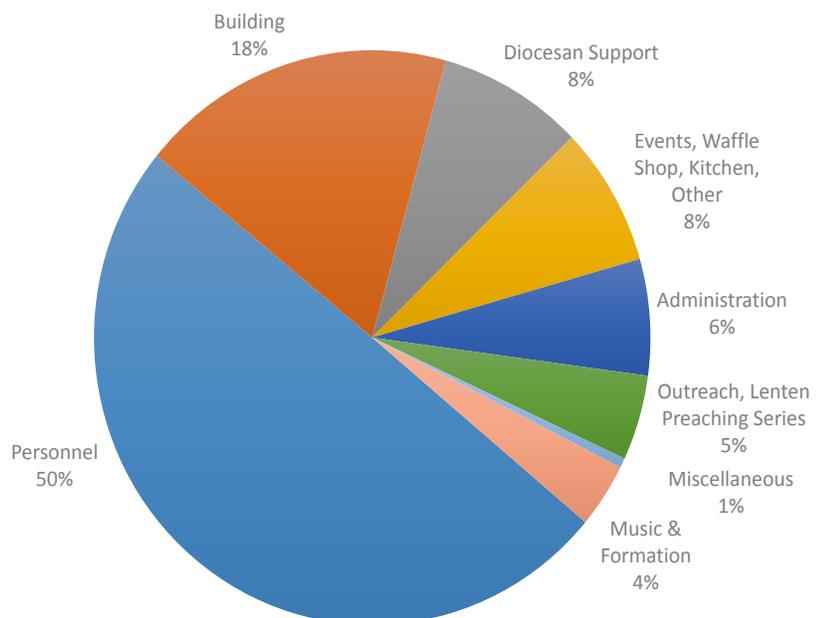
Total: \$2,286,679



2018 Estimated Expenses

Personnel.....	\$1,114,133
Building.....	\$410,681
Diocesan Support	\$189,224
Events, Waffle Shop, Kitchen, Other	\$175,902
Administration	\$146,267
Outreach, Lenten Preaching Series	\$107,402
Miscellaneous	\$12,203
Music & Formation	\$81,386

Total: \$2,237,198





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